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**Update for the Hotels, Motels, and Tourist Courts Rulemaking
(9 A.A.C. Chapter 8, Article 6, R9-8-1301 through R9-8-1310, R9-8-1312,
R9-8-1314, R9-8-1321, R9-8-1322, and R9-8-1331 through R9-8-1338).**

A.R.S. § 36-136(H)(8) states that the Arizona Department of Health Services (Department) “shall define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures concerning sewage and excreta disposal, garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal,” water supply, and preparation of food in community kitchens for hotels, motels, and tourist courts. The current rules are being amended to make them consistent with current statutory authority, Department policy, and issues raised in the five-year-review-report approved by the Governor’s Regulatory Review Council in 2007.

The amended rules shall: prescribe reasonably necessary measures concerning a hotel, motel, and tourist court’s sewage and excreta disposal; garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal; water supply; and preparation of food in community kitchens.

The Department has submitted a Notice of Docket Opening for the rulemaking, which was published in the [*Arizona Administrative Register*](#) on March 21, 2008, and is in the process of drafting rules for hotels, motels, and tourist courts.

To keep interested persons informed about the rulemaking, the Department has established a web page for the rulemaking. The Department anticipates posting draft rules on the Department’s website for informal public comment by February 2009.

Stakeholders can communicate their issues and concerns to Robert Lane, Rules Analyst for the Department, by e-mail at laner@azdhs.gov, by phone at 602-364-0792, or by fax at 602-364-1150.